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SECURITY INFORMATION

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Office of the General Counsel

SUBJECT: Shipment of Personal Car to the []

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1. Subject was transferred PCS to the [] on Travel Order [] dated 12 June 1952. This order authorized shipment of subject's personal car at U.S. Government expense. However, when subject was processing, he was notified that shipment of a personal car to the [] was not authorized by law and his travel order was amended to preclude such shipment (Tab A). This amendment was not signed, however, until after subject had completed his travel and there is no data on hand to show that he was given written notification prior to his departure. The Chief of Payroll and Travel Section of the Finance Division states that he verbally informed subject of the fact that reimbursement for shipment of his personal car could not be allowed. Subject shipped his car and the cost of such shipment was paid by the subject's Foreign Station. This payment was disallowed by the Finance Division and has been charged to subject's advance account.

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2. Tab B and attachments from the Chief, WH Division, request that reimbursement be allowed for this shipment based on the following facts:

a. An opinion dated 27 June 1951 from your office states that there is no legal objection to reimbursing an employee for shipment of his personal car to the [] where it is deemed necessary for use of an employee engaged in clandestine activities.

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b. Employees were given authority to use their cars for official purposes at this station on 10 October 1952. (This was three months after the arrival of [])

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c. [] successor was authorized to ship his personal car at Government expense under the authorities mentioned in a. and b. of this paragraph.

3. It is requested that a decision be rendered as to whether this payment may stand as made or if a collection is in order.

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